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DECISION BY THE MOVIMIENTO DE IZQUIERDA REVOLUCIONARIO TO BEGIN PREPARATIONS FOR REVOLUTION

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1. THERE WAS A CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL LEADERS OF THE MOVIMIENTO DE IZQUIERDA REVOLUCIONARIO (MIR) AT A SECRET MEETING PLACE IN THE RIMAC DISTRICT OF LIMA ON 8 FEBRUARY 1964. THE CONFERENCE WAS LED BY LUIS DE LA PUENTE UCEDA, AND THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS WERE TAKEN:

A. THE MIR WILL NOT HOLD A NATIONAL CONGRESS.

B. THE MIR MEMBERSHIP WILL BE INSTRUCTED BY THE THREE REGIONAL CHIEFS TO PREPARE FOR ARMED REVOLUTION IMMEDIATELY.

C. THE MIR HAS ARMS IN COLOMBIA, BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, CHILE, AND ECUADOR, AND THESE ARMS WILL NOW BE BROUGHT INTO PERU. THERE ARE 17,000 DOLLARS WORTH OF ARMS IN CHILE, 20,000 DOLLARS WORTH IN

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BRAZIL, AND 7,000 DOLLARS WORTH IN ARGENTINA.

2. DE LA PUENTE SAID THAT THE MIR HAS THE EQUIVALENT OF 80 MILLION SOLES (3 MILLION DOLLARS) IN SWISS BANKS. THIS MONEY WAS CONTRIBUTED BY CHINA. THE MIR MAINTAINS CONTACT WITH CHINA THROUGH CHINESE EMBASSIES AND REPRESENTATIVES IN LONDON, BERN, STOCKHOLM, AND BRUSSELS. THERE ARE 600,000 DOLLARS AT MIR DISPOSAL IN PARIS. CHINA HAS PROMISED TO CONTRIBUTE 50 MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE REVOLUTION, IF NECESSARY.

3. A MIR MEMBER NAMED CANDELARIO MEJIA LAREDO, ALSO KNOWN AS GORDY, WHO LIVES AT CALLE LA MERCED 203, CHICLAYO, HAS 2,500 STICKS OF DYNAMITE HIDDEN AT A CAMP NEAR CHICLAYO. ALSO HIDDEN THERE ARE FIVE CARBINES AND FOUR REVOLVERS. MAXIMO VELANDO, IN THE CENTRAL REGION HAS THREE CARBINES, CALIBRE .44, FIVE REVOLVERS, CALIBRE .38, TWO PISTOLS, AND ONE MACHINE GUN.

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4. MERCEDES MORALES, WHO WAS ONE OF THE MIR MEMBERS ARRESTED IN JANUARY, HAS LEFT FOR PARIS AND WILL TRAVEL TO CHINA.

5. [redacted] COMMENT: DE LA PUENTE MADE A FIERY SPEECH AT A RALLY IN THE PLAZA SAN MARTIN THE EVENING OF 7 FEBRUARY. HE EXHORTED THE CROWD, WHICH WAS ENTHUSIASTIC, TO TAKE UP ARMS AND REVOLT. THE RALLY WAS SPONSORED BY THE MIR, THE FRENTE DE IZQUIERDA REVOLUCIONARIO, THE PRO-CHINA FACTION OF THE PARTIDO COMUNISTA PERUANO, THE FRENTE DE LIBERACION NACIONAL, AND SAN MARCOS UNIVERSITY STUDENTS.)

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